

## Domestic Violence Resources

### National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-SAFE  
1-800-787-3224 (TTY)

### NC Coalition Against Domestic Violence

919-956-9124  
www.nccadv.org

### The National Center for Victims of Crime

1-800-FYI-CALL  
www.gethelp@ncvc.org

### NC Department of Correction Services for Victims of Crime

1-800-368-1985

### NC Dept of Crime Control & Public Safety Victim Compensation Services

919-733-7974  
1-800-826-6200

### NC Victim Assistance Network

1-800-348-5068

### SAVAN (Statewide Automated Victim Assistance & Notification Program)

1-877-NCSAVAN

## Legal Aid of North Carolina

*Your local legal services office:*

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Domestic Violence Initiative

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## The Victims of Crime Compensation Fund

Helping Victims  
of  
Domestic Violence

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## What is the Victims of Crime Compensation Fund?

The Victims of Crime Compensation Fund (VCCF) provides financial compensation to victims of crimes committed in North Carolina who suffer medical expenses and lost wages as a result of the crime. The North Carolina Division of Victim and Justice Services administers the program. The North Carolina Crime Victims Compensation Commission decides whether to approve individual claims.

### Who can file a claim with the VCCF?

1. an innocent victim of a crime committed in North Carolina, *or*
2. a dependent of a deceased innocent victim, *or*
3. a legal representative of an innocent victim, such as a parent or guardian.

#### *The victim must:*

- be innocent of criminal activity, *and*
- report the crime to law enforcement within 72 hours and be willing to prosecute, *and*
- file for insurance, if available, *and*
- file the VCCF application within two years of the crime.

### Which expenses will VCCF cover?

The program is designed to help with expenses you incur as a result of the crime. Eligible expenses could include medical costs (such as doctor or hospital visits, eyeglasses or dental work), counseling, funeral expenses, lost wages, crime scene cleanup (such as replacing door or window locks), childcare costs, loss of economic support from the perpetrator, and more.

**Victims of crime  
have the right  
to receive  
compensation!**

#### Benefits may include:

- up to \$30,000 for medical bills for each victim, *and*
- up to \$300 per week for up to 26 weeks to cover lost wages, *and*
- up to \$3,500 to cover funeral expenses if the victim dies as a result of the crime.



### How can I apply?

You must file an application with the Crime Victims Compensation Commission. If you are a victim of domestic violence and would like help with the application process, please call your local Legal Aid office or the Domestic Violence Initiative.

### Where can I get an application?

#### *In your community . . .*

- at your local Legal Aid office
- at your local police station or sheriff's office
- from the Victim Witness Coordinator at your District Attorney's Office
- at your local Community Service Work Program

#### *By telephone...*

Victims Crime Office  
919-733-7974 or 1-800-826-6200

#### *By mail . . .*

NC Crime Victims Compensation Commission  
4703 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-4703

#### *On the web . . .*

<http://www.nccrimecontrol.org/vjs/cvcp0.htm>